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routine work in his ministry to his two state secretaries and that he is striving for success in the field of international negotiations. Skrzeszewski had previously been nominated by the Eastern Bloc as a candidate for the post of Secretary General of the United Nations.

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Comment. Meria Wierna, chief of the Centrel Auropean Division of the Polish Foreign Ministry, is a capable, influential and ambitious politician.

Gejewski is chief of the Western Division of the Ministry. He speaks English and was the only Polish politician who did not avoid contacts with Anglo-Sexons in Warsaw. Gajewski enjoys the confidence of the regime. He was appointed Polish representative with the repatriation committee formed by neutral states in Korea.

Comment. Gede is known to be vice-president of the Folish Council of Ministers. In March 1954, he telonged to the Presidium of the II Conference of the Polish Communist Party. State Secretaries Bajer and Wolynski who are influential officials have distinguished themselves in economic negotiations with Moscow. Foth of them would be in a position to influence the Polish trade policy toward Western countries.

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